

MYSORE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Saturday, 7th September 1968.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Vidhana Soudha, Bangalore, at Thirty Minutes past Eight of the Clock.

MR. SPEAKER (SRI S. D. KOTHAVALI) in the Chair.

STARRED QUESTIONS

(to which oral answers were given)

National Rural Water Supply Scheme in Raichur District

61. SRI M. NAGAPPA (Raichur).—

Will the Minister for Development be pleased to state :—

(a) the number of National Rural Water Supply Schemes taken up in Raichur District in general and in particular in Raichur taluk (Talukwise list may be furnished) ;

(b) the stage at which these schemes stand at present ;

(c) the amount spent on each of these schemes (detail list may be furnished) so far ?

A.—SRI P. M. NADGOUDA (Minister for Development).—

(a) 30 schemes at an estimated cost of Rs. 23.35 lakhs have been sanctioned in Raichur District and out of which 1 scheme has been sanctioned in Raichur Taluk (talukwise list appended).

(b) The stages of the schemes have been noted in the list appended.

(c) A total amount of Rs. 6.06 lakhs has been spent so far as noted against each work in the list appended.

(SRI P. M. NADGOUDA)

List of N.R.W.S. Schemes sanctioned in Raichur District (Talukwise).

Sl. No.	Name of Taluk	Name of the Scheme	Estimated cost	Amount spent up to April 1968	Stage of work
			4	5	6
1	2	3			
1	Raichur	Chandrabanda	...	53	Arrangements are being made to start the work.
2	Lingsugur	Gurugunta	92,000	50,238	Work is in progress
3	Lingsugur	Hutti	1,07,000	55,482	Do
4	Lingsugur	Muski	2,00,000	1,61,112	Do
5	Lingsugur	Hirchesarur	26,000	8	Arrangements are being made to start the work.
6	Lingsugur	Nilagal	47,000	92	Agency is being fixed
7	Yelbarga	Yelbarga	1,31,200	2,814	Tenders are being re-invited
8	Yelbarga	Mannapur and Malikoppa	53,500	1,939	Work in progress
9	Yelbarga	Somapur Siddinakoppa	39,500	274	Tenders have been re-invited
10	Manvi	Kowatal	90,000	99,287	Completed
11	Manvi	Sirwar	1,00,000	...	Tenders are being invited
12	Manvi	Kallur, Hekarani	1,71,000	91,169	Work is in progress
13	Manvi	Muddanagaddi,	52,000	9,913	Tenders have been re-invited
		Kharabadinni			
14	Manvi	Nakkundi, Kereguda	51,500	3,145	Do

15	Manvi	...	Nugdoni Nugdoni-Hosur	...	31,600	11,078	Well work is under progress
16	Manvi	...	Udbal, Budalapur	...	17,700	...	Arrangements are being made to take up the work.
17	Kushtagi	...	Tavaragere	...	1,83,000	48,716	Agency has been fixed
18	Kushtagi	...	Chalagera	...	72,000	...	Tenders are to be invited
19	Kushtagi	...	Bichakal	...	58,600	...	Do
20	Kushtagi	...	Anthardhana, Purthgera	...	37,700	...	Agency has been fixed and work to be started.
21	Kushtagi	...	Kadur, Yerilinginahal	...	20,600	...	Tenders are to be called for
22	Deodurg	...	Jalahalli	...	1,01,000	...	Tenders are being re-invited
23	Deodurg	...	Gabbur	...	1,25,000	...	Agency has been fixed and work started.
24	Sindhnoor	...	Jawalgera	...	71,000	22,147	Materials have been procured and arrangements are being made to start the work.
25	Sindhnoor	...	Radakunda	...	50,000	...	Arrangements are being made to start the work.
26	Sindhnoor	...	Gorebal	...	72,500	...	Well work is in progress
27	Sindhnoor	...	Hirebairigi	...	8,700	2,831	Arrangements are being made to start bore-well.
28	Koppal	...	Kinhal	...	1,61,000	37,8200	Tenders are being re-invited
29	Koppal	...	Gattraddihal, Muralapur	...	54,100	7,693	Tenders are being finalised
30	Gangavathi	...	Aneundi	...	77,000	...	Work is proposed to be taken up on piece-work system.
Total Rs.					23,35,400	6,05,871	

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ನಾಗಪ್ಪ.—ಉತ್ತರದಲ್ಲಿ ತಾವು 30 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ತೋರಿಸಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಇದರಲ್ಲಿ ರಾಯಚೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಚಂದ್ರಬಂಡ ಯೋಜನೆ ಮಂಜೂರುಮಾಡಿದ್ದು ಯಾವ ವರ್ಷದಲ್ಲಿ ಮತ್ತು ಮಂಜೂರಾಗಿ ಎರಡು ಮೂರು ವರ್ಷಗಳಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ ಇದುವರೆಗೂ ಅದರ ಕೆಲಸಗಳನ್ನು ಪ್ರಾರಂಭಿಸದೇ ಇರುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಇದ್ದ ಕಾರಣಗಳೇನು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಪಿ. ಎಂ. ನಾಡಗೌಡ.—ಡೀಜೆಲ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಅಪೆಂಡಿಕ್ಸ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದೆ.

The estimated cost of Chandrabanda work is Rs. 33,200. Amount spent up to April 1968 is Rs. 53 and the stage of the work is that "arrangements are being made to start the work."

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ನಾಗಪ್ಪ.—ನಾನು ಕೇಳಿದ್ದು ಚಂದ್ರಬಂಡ ಯೋಜನೆ ಯಾವಾಗ ಮಂಜೂರಾಯಿತು ? ಇದರ ತೆರಿಗೆಯ ಏನು ಮತ್ತು ಇಷ್ಟು ವರ್ಷಗಳಾದರೂ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲಸ ಆರಂಭವಾಗದೆ ಇರುವ ಕಾರಣಗಳೇನು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಪಿ. ಎಂ. ನಾಡಗೌಡ.—ಇದನ್ನು ಮಂಜೂರು ಮಾಡಿರುವುದು ಎರಡನೇ ಪ್ಲಾನು ಖೀರಿಯಡ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ನಾಗಪ್ಪ.—ಇಷ್ಟು ವರ್ಷಗಳಾದರೂ ಎಂದರೆ ನುಮಾರು ಆರೇಳು ವರ್ಷಗಳಿಂದ ಇನ್ನು ಆರಂಭ ಮಾಡದೇ ಇರುವ ಕಾರಣಗಳೇನು ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಪಿ. ಎಂ. ನಾಡಗೌಡ.—ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಹ್ಯಾಂ ಪೈಪ್‌ಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ ಇನ್ನಿತರ ಮೆಟೀರಿಯಲ್‌ಗಳು ಸಿಗುವುದು ತೊಂದರೆಯಾಗಿರಬಹುದು. ಇಲ್ಲಿಯವರೆಗೆ ಇದಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ನುಮಾರು 32 ಲಕ್ಷದಷ್ಟು ವೆಚ್ಚ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೇವೆ.

Sri SIDDIAIAH KASHIMATH.—Is there any priority list maintained for rural water supply schemes ?

Sri P. M. NADGOUDA.—The Government of India have given instructions to the State Government that where there is scarcity of water the Government should give priority. That is the only instruction. I may assure hon'ble members that the Government of Mysore in collaboration with the Government of India have executed schemes worth more than Rs. 5 crores. In all humility I may assure that the State Government is doing its very best in this particular activity.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಎಂ. ಗುರದ್ವಿ.—ನಮ್ಮ ರಾಜ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಯೋಜನೆಯ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಮಂಜೂರಾಗಿದ್ದರೂ ರೊಕ್ಕವಿಲ್ಲದೆ ಕಾರಣ ಕಾರ್ಯಗತವಾಗದೆ ಉಳಿದಿರತಕ್ಕ ಕೆಲಸಗಳು ಇನ್ನೂ ಎಷ್ಟಿವೆ ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—This is a local question pertaining to Raichur. So, I request the hon'ble Members to take care not to exceed the scope of the question.

Sri P. M. NADGOUDA.—There are more than 250 schemes awaiting the approval of the State Government and because of the non-availability of funds they are being rejected by the Finance Department.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ನಾಗಪ್ಪ.—ರಾಯಚೂರು ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಪೈಪ್‌ಗಳ ಅಭಾವದಿಂದ ಕೆಲಸ ಸಾಗಲಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದು ಸತ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ದೂರವಾದ ಮಾತು. ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಮೂಲ ಕಾರಣ ಈ ಕೆಲಸವನ್ನು ಸೂಪರ್ ವೈಜ್ ಮಾಡತಕ್ಕ ಎಗ್ಜಿಕ್ಯೂಟಿವ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರವರು ಅಫೀಸು ಸ್ಥಳದಲ್ಲಿಲ್ಲದೆ ಬಿಳಾ ರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಇರುವುದರಿಂದಲೇ ಕಂಟ್ರಾಕ್ಟರುಗಳನ್ನಾರೂ ಮುಂದೆ ಬಾರದಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ಈ ಕೆಲಸ ನಿಧಾನವಾಗಿಲ್ಲವೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಪಿ. ಎಂ. ನಾಡಗೌಡ.—ಅದು ಕಾರಣವಲ್ಲ. ಈ ಯೋಜನೆ ಅಷ್ಟು ರೆಮ್ಯುನಿರೇಟೀವ್ ಅಲ್ಲವಾದ್ದರಿಂದ ಕಂಟ್ರಾಕ್ಟರುಗಳು ಮುಂದೆ ಬಾರದೆ ಇರಬಹುದು, ಸಕಾಲಕ್ಕೆ ಚೆಂಡರುಗಳು ಬಾರದೆ ಕೆಲಸ ನಿಧಾನವಾಗಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ನಾಗಪ್ಪ.—ರಾಯಚೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಂಜೂರಾದ ಸ್ಕೀಮುಗಳಲ್ಲದೆ ಬೇರೆ ಸ್ಕೀಮುಗಳೇನಾದರೂ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕೆಂದು ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಮನವಿಗಳು ಬಂದಿವೆಯೇ, ಬಂದಿದ್ದರೆ ಅಂಥ ಮನವಿಗಳೆಷ್ಟು?

ಶ್ರೀ ಪಿ. ಎಂ. ನಾಡಗೌಡ.—ಬೇಕಾದಷ್ಟು ಬಂದಿವೆ. ಆಗಲೇ ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೇನೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ನಾಗಪ್ಪ.—ಕಂಟ್ರಾಕ್ಟರು ಬಾರದಿದ್ದರೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರೇ ಏಕೆ ಸ್ವಂತವಾಗಿ ಕೆಲಸವನ್ನು ಪ್ರಾರಂಭ ಮಾಡಬಾರದು?

ಶ್ರೀ ಪಿ. ಎಂ. ನಾಡಗೌಡ.—ಅಗಬಹುದು.

ಶ್ರೀಪತಿ ಕೆ. ಲೀಲಾವತಿ ರೈ.—ನಮ್ಮ ಸೌತ್‌ಕ್ಯಾನರಾ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಏನಾದರೂ ಈ ಸ್ಕೀಮನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳತಕ್ಕ ಯೋಜನೆ ಇದೆಯೇ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ಇದು ರಾಯಚೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಗೆ ಮಾತ್ರ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ್ದು. ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಇಡೀ ರಾಜ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಅನ್ವಯಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಉಪಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಹಾಕುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅವಕಾಶವಿಲ್ಲ. ಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳು ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಿದ್ಧರಿದ್ದರೆ ನನ್ನ ಅಭ್ಯಂತರವಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಸಂಗನಗೌಡ.—ತಾವು ಪಟ್ಟಿಯಲ್ಲಿ 30 ಕೆಲಸ ತೋರಿಸಿ ಅದರಲ್ಲಿ 10 ಕೆಲಸಗಳನ್ನು ಸಂಪೂರ್ಣವಾಗಿ ಕೈಬಿಡಲಾಗಿದೆ; ಮತ್ತು ಇನ್ನು 2-3 ಕೆಲಸಗಳ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಜುಜಿಬೆ ಹಣವನ್ನು ಖರ್ಚು ಮಾಡಿರುವುದನ್ನು ನೋಡಿದರೆ ಅದೃಶ್ಯವರ್ಗದವರು ಸರಿಯಾಗಿ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂಬ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ ತಪ್ಪು ಭಾವನೆಗಳು ಬರುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಪಿ. ಎಂ. ನಾಡಗೌಡ.—ಹಾಗೆ ತಪ್ಪು ಭಾವನೆಗಳು ಬರಲು ಕಾರಣವಿಲ್ಲ. ಮೇಲಾಗಿ ಕೆಲಸವನ್ನು ತ್ವರಿತವಾಗಿ ಮುಗಿಸುವಂತೆ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂಬ ಕಾತುರವುಳ್ಳವರು ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರ ಬೆನ್ನು ಹತ್ತಿ ಕೆಲಸಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಚ್. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೇ, ನಮ್ಮ ಕೆಲಸಗಳನ್ನು ನಾವು ಮಾಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕಾದರೆ ನಾವು ಯಾರ ಬೆನ್ನು ಹತ್ತಬೇಕು?

(ಉತ್ತರವಿಲ್ಲ)

Mr. SPEAKER.—Now Question No. 62 by Sri S. S. Arakeri.

Sri M. NAGAPPA.—Sir, there is already a point of order raised by me regarding Minister of State.

Sri S. S. SHETTAR.—Sir, I may also be permitted to raise another point of order, and it is that, in case a Minister of State is unable to answer a question, let the Chief Minister or any other Minister answer it.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I shall bear that in mind.

Sri S. S. SHETTAR.—When are you going to dispose of the point of order raised by the hon. Member Sri Nagappa?

Mr. SPEAKER.—Here and now.

Sri M. NAGAPPA.—Sir, if you are going to hear and decide that point of order just now, you will be creating a bad precedent. As urged by me yesterday, the questions in respect of which point of order has been raised may be held over and the point of order may be taken up after the question hour is over. Otherwise, the points of order may take some time and thereby some of the questions will lapse.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I shall be very quick in disposing of the points of order. Points of order are to be decided as and when they arise. We have held over the point of order yesterday. The hon. Minister of

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State Sri Doddametti met me and told me that if this point was repeated now and then and left undecided, it would cause him embarrassment. Therefore, it is better that we decide this point. The hon. Member Sri Nagappa may briefly mention what are the points.

SRI M. NAGAPPA.—It was the understanding of the House yesterday that other members will also take part in this discussion. If the Chair says that they have no say in the matter, then I will explain my point of order.

MR. SPEAKER.—Please be brief.

SRI M. NAGAPPA.—Sir, in sub-rule (3) of rule 44, the word 'Minister' is mentioned. The word 'Minister' has not been defined in the Constitution, but it has been defined in the Rules. On page 2 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Legislative Assembly, the word 'Minister' has been defined as follows :

“ 'Minister' means a member of the Council of Ministers and includes a Deputy Minister and a Parliamentary Secretary ; ”

In articles 163 and 164 of the Constitution also the words 'Council of Ministers' have been mentioned ; but it has not been defined in the Constitution. So, it is not very clear whether a Minister of State comes under the Council of Ministers, but a Deputy Minister has been included in it. At the time of framing the rules, it was not in the minds of the members of this House that there should be Ministers of State and so they have not included 'Ministers of State' in the definition of 'Council of Ministers'. In the rules of Parliament it has been mentioned that 'Minister' means a member of the Council of Ministers, Minister of State, Deputy Minister and Parliamentary Secretary. This is an exclusive definition. So, unless this rule is amended so as to include a Minister of State, his status cannot be recognised in this house. These rules have been framed under article 208 of the Constitution. It has been accepted by the Supreme Court in 1959 that these rules have the force of law. Therefore, these rules have got the sanction of law.

Secondly, the Ministers' Salaries and Allowances Bill is also there. When the Accountant General is not prepared to accept these State Ministers and is not permitting them to draw their salary and other bills how can this House accept these State Ministers, who are not competent to represent matters of the Government, before this House ? When the Accountant General is competent to say that he is not prepared to give a single pie from the funds, it is impossible for this House to accept these Ministers of State as Ministers of this House. Therefore, I respectfully submit that unless the rules are amended and these Ministers of State are included in the definition of Ministers, these Ministers of State should not be recognised so far as the proceedings of this House are concerned.

Here, the Hon'ble Chair may quote M. N. Kaul's practice and procedural rules. In that book they have interpreted about allowances and salaries of the Central Government, wherein the Minister of State has also been included in the definition of the Rules of Procedure. That definition given in the Parliamentary Practice of M. N. Kaul, does not apply to this particular case, because our rules are silent about the Minister of State. Therefore these Ministers of State are not recognised in our rules and they are not entitled to answer supplementaries unless Rule 44 is amended.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Sir, the only way is either to downgrade them or upgrade them. Since they are my good friends, I propose that they may be upgraded.

Sri S. S. SHETTAR.—Sir, I may be permitted to say a few words in this connection.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Let it be known to all the Hon'ble Members that Points of Orders under Rule 311 do not permit any debate. If I feel that I am in need of any education on a particular point, I request the members to enlighten me. Sri M. Nagappa has explained the point in an elaborate manner, and I don't think it requires any further elucidation.

Sri S. S. SHETTAR.—Sir, I wanted to say.....

Mr. SPEAKER.—I remember the member has made a suggestion that any other Minister can reply on behalf of a Minister of State.

Hon'ble Member Sri M. Nagappa has raised a point that the Hon'ble Minister of State Sri A. J. Doddameti, is not permitted under Rule 44 to reply supplementaries. The ground on which he raised this point is that the definition of a Minister as given in Rule 2 does not include a Minister of State. It is for me to consider whether the definition, as contained in Rule (2) of the Rules of Procedure and the provisions contained in Article 163 of the Constitution of India, apply and cover Minister of State also. As regards the Constitutional provision, the Hon'ble House may see that the words used there are "Council of Ministers." It does not explain whether the Ministers there should be a Cabinet rank Minister or a Minister of State or a Deputy Minister or a Parliamentary Secretary. The term "Council of Ministers" is all inclusive and very comprehensively used by the authors of the Constitution of India. Therefore, as far as I understand there is no doubt in my mind that the word "Council of Ministers" includes Ministers of all description, Cabinet rank Ministers, State Ministers, Deputy Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries and such other Ministers, which either the Prime Minister of India or the Chief Minister of a State, may within their discretion, request the President or the Governor respectively to appoint.

Sri M. NAGAPPA.—Sir, with due permission, I would like to submit, that Deputy Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries are included there. If you say that it is so comprehensive enough, then inclusion of Deputy Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries, I feel, is superfluous.

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—Sir, I have a Point of Order. I request you to bear with me for a minute.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I think it is breach of rules to raise a Point of Order when a Ruling is given by the Chair.

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—Sir, my submission is this. You cannot give a Ruling on a Point of Order particularly during Question Hour nor can a Point of Order be raised during Question Hour, and even discussion on questions is not allowed during Question Hour. You are allowing a Point of Order to be discussed and a Ruling is being given. I submit that during Question Hour only questions should be allowed. I request the Chair to suspend the rules for some time and see that the Question Hour is extended.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I shall extend the Question Hour by 15 Minutes to make up the loss of time.

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—Sir, it may be extended by half-an-hour.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I was saying that it is quite open to the Prime Minister of India and to the Chief Minister of any of the State Governments to create Ministers of any description. Therefore, it is absolutely clear that the words used in Article 163 of the Constitution, include Ministers of all description. Now, an important point is raised by the Hon'ble Member Sri Nagappa about the definition in Rule 2 of our Rules of Procedure which says:

“ ‘Minister’ means a member of the Council of Ministers and includes a Deputy Minister and a Parliamentary Secretary. ”

This definition consists of two parts: the definition about the Council of Ministers.

The question now to be decided is whether a Minister of State is a Member of the Council of Ministers. As I have known, these words are borrowed from Article 163 of the Constitution of India and therefore, they bear the same meaning here. I hold that the words “Council of Ministers” as used in the Rules of Procedure, include the Minister of State also. As regards the second part, which includes Deputy Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries, Sri Nagappa, suggested that it is redundant and superfluous and it was not necessary to include it. I would say that as a measure of abundant care, the authors have included it to make the whole thing very clear. They have framed these rules to clear any doubt that may arise in the minds of members.

9-00 A.M.

Hon'ble Member Mr. Nagappa has brought to my notice that the Rules of Procedure adopted in the Lok Sabha do not mention Council of Minister. It is only inclusive. This is so here also. Therefore there is no difficulty for me to hold that the Minister of State is competent to answer supplementaries under Rule 14. The definition is clear. The definition is not only inclusive, but it gives an independent definition. It means that the Minister is a member of the Council of Ministers. Therefore, I rule that the Minister of State is a Minister competent to answer supplementaries under rule 44.

Savalsanga Tank of Indi Taluk

62. SRI S. S. ARAKERI (Ballolli).—

Will the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state :—

- (a) the year in which there was a breach of the dam of Savalsanga tank of Indi Taluk in Bijapur District ;
- (b) the reason for the delay caused for its repair ;
- (c) whether there is a proposal to repair it now ;
- (d) whether any estimated amount has been provided in the budget of this year (1968-69) ;
- (e) if not when the Government proposes to take up this work ?

A.—SRI A. J. DODDAMETI (Minister of State for Minor Irrigation).—

- (a) 1948.
- (b) This tank is a village water supply tank and not an Irrigation one. The repair work was intended to be taken up as a scarcity work. But due to various causes, the repair work could not be taken up.
- (c) This will be considered after the estimate is finalised.
- (d) No.
- (e) Same reply as at (c) above.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎನ್. ಎಸ್. ಅರಕೇರಿ.—ಈ ಕೆರೆ ಒಡೆದು 20 ವರ್ಷಗಳಾದರೂ ಏಕೆ ರಿಪೇರಿಮಾಡಿಲ್ಲ ? ಅಲ್ಲದೆ ಇದು ನೀರಾವರಿ ಕರೆಯಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಡಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಅಲ್ಲಿ ನುಮಾಲು 8 ಸಾವಿರ ಜನನಂಜು ಇದ್ದರೂ ಕೆರೆ ರಿಪೇರಿ ಮಾಡದಿರುವುದರಿಂದ 20 ವರ್ಷಗಳಿಂದ ತೊಂದರೆಯಾಗುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಸರಕಾರದ ಅದಕ್ಷತೆ ಕಾರಣವೇ ಅಥವಾ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರುಗಳ ಅಲಕ್ಷ್ಯ ಕಾರಣವೇ ?

† ಶ್ರೀ ಎ. ಜೆ. ದೊಡ್ಡಮೇಟಿ.—ಈ ವಿಷಯದಲ್ಲಿ ವಿವರವನ್ನು ತಿಳಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಈ ಕೆರೆ ಯನ್ನು ಬಹಳ ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಹಿಂದಕ್ಕೆ ಕಟ್ಟಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಇದನ್ನು ನೀರಾವರಿ ಕೆರೆ ಎಂದು ಕಟ್ಟಿದ ಗ್ರಾಮಕ್ಕೆ ನೀರು ಪುರೈಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ರಚಿಸಲಾಗಿತ್ತು. 1948-49 ನೇ ಇಸವಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹಿಂದೆ ಎಂದೂ ಆಗಿರದಷ್ಟು ಅತಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಳೆಯ ಮೂಲಕ ಈ ಕೆರೆಯು ಒಡ್ಡಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಒಡಕುಂಟಾಯಿತು. ಈ

† indicates that the remarks or speeches have not been revised by the member concerned.